

Unit 10

Day 5

Absolute Value Equations

Section 2.8 of the textbook.

## Definition of Absolute Value

$$|a| = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a \geq 0 \\ -a & \text{if } a < 0 \end{cases}$$

1)

$$|2x - 7| = 9$$

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$$2x = 16$$

$$x = 8$$

or

$$2x - 7 = -9$$

$$2x = -2$$

$$x = -1$$

$$\{1, 8\}$$

$$2) \quad 3|x+3|+12=6$$

$$\frac{\cancel{3}|x+3|}{\cancel{3}} = \frac{-6}{3}$$

$$|x+3| = -2$$

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$$3|x+3|+12=6$$

$$3y+12=6$$

$$3) \quad \left| \frac{2x-1}{x+3} \right| = 1$$

$$\frac{2x-1}{x+3} = 1$$

$$2x-1 = x+3$$

$$x = 4$$

$$\text{or} \quad \frac{2x-1}{x+3} = -1$$

$$2x-1 = -x-3$$

$$\left\{ 4, -\frac{2}{3} \right\}$$

$$3x = -2$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$4) \quad |x+6| = 3x-2$$

$$x+6 = 3x-2 \quad \text{or} \quad x+6 = -3x+2$$

$$-2x = -8$$

$$x = 4$$

$$\{4\}$$

$$4x = -4$$

$$\cancel{x = -1}$$

$$\cancel{\{4, -1\}}$$

$$5) \quad |5x+2| = |3x-6|$$

$$5x+2 = 3x-6 \quad \text{or} \quad 5x+2 = -3x+6$$

$$2x = -8$$

$$x = -4$$

$$8x = 4$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\left\{ -4, \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

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